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Status

- 1) ☒ Responsive to communication(s) filed on 08 July 2010.
- 2a) ☐ This action is **FINAL**. 2b) ☒ This action is non-final.
- 3) ☐ Since this application is in condition for allowance except for formal matters, prosecution as to the merits is closed in accordance with the practice under *Ex parte Quayle*, 1935 C.D. 11, 453 O.G. 213.

Disposition of Claims

- 4) ☒ Claim(s) 1-21 is/are pending in the application.
- 4a) Of the above claim(s) _____ is/are withdrawn from consideration.
- 5) ☐ Claim(s) _____ is/are allowed.
- 6) ☒ Claim(s) 1-21 is/are rejected.
- 7) ☐ Claim(s) _____ is/are objected to.
- 8) ☐ Claim(s) _____ are subject to restriction and/or election requirement.

Application Papers

- 9) ☐ The specification is objected to by the Examiner.
- 10) ☒ The drawing(s) filed on 01 November 2006 is/are: a) ☒ accepted or b) ☐ objected to by the Examiner.
Applicant may not request that any objection to the drawing(s) be held in abeyance. See 37 CFR 1.85(a).
Replacement drawing sheet(s) including the correction is required if the drawing(s) is objected to. See 37 CFR 1.121(d).
- 11) ☐ The oath or declaration is objected to by the Examiner. Note the attached Office Action or form PTO-152.

Priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119

- 12) ☒ Acknowledgment is made of a claim for foreign priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119(a)-(d) or (f).
- a) ☐ All b) ☐ Some * c) ☐ None of:
1. ☒ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received.
2. ☐ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received in Application No. _____.
3. ☐ Copies of the certified copies of the priority documents have been received in this National Stage application from the International Bureau (PCT Rule 17.2(a)).

* See the attached detailed Office action for a list of the certified copies not received.

Attachment(s)

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DETAILED ACTION

1. This action is in response to amendment filed 07/08/2010.
2. Claim 1 has been amended.
3. Claims 1-21 are pending for consideration.

Response to Arguments

4. Applicant's arguments with respect to claims 1-21 have been considered but are moot in view of the new ground(s) of rejection.

Claim Rejections - 35 USC § 103

5. The following is a quotation of 35 U.S.C. 103(a) which forms the basis for all obviousness rejections set forth in this Office action:

(a) A patent may not be obtained though the invention is not identically disclosed or described as set forth in section 102 of this title, if the differences between the subject matter sought to be patented and the prior art are such that the subject matter as a whole would have been obvious at the time the invention was made to a person having ordinary skill in the art to which said subject matter pertains. Patentability shall not be negated by the manner in which the invention was made.

6. Claims 1, 4, 13-14, and 20-21 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) as being unpatentable over Susser et al. (US20050193218) (hereinafter Susser) in view of Lancu et al. (US20050008098) (hereinafter Lancu).

Regarding claim 1, Susser discloses a retrievable token comprising: at least one physical channel of communication to at least one apparatus (Susser: paragraph 0013, a smart card/small footprint device as the retrievable token is attached to a host computer as the at least one apparatus); a first logical channel associated with the at

least one physical channel, wherein the first logical channel is associated with a first protocol stack and a first execution environment on the retrievable token (Susser: paragraph 0069, the small footprint device may have one or more processing machines); and a second logical channel associated with the at least one physical channel, wherein the second logical channel is associated with a second protocol stack and a second execution environment on the retrievable token (Susser: paragraph 0049, the small footprint device may have one or more processing machines and paragraph 0075).

Susser does not disclose to concurrently execute the first execution environment and the second execution environment, and wherein executing the first execution environment comprises executing the first protocol stack and executing the second execution environment comprises executing the second protocol stack. However, Lancu discloses to concurrently execute the first execution environment and the second execution environment, and wherein executing the first execution environment comprises executing the first protocol stack and executing the second execution environment comprises executing the second protocol stack (Lancu: paragraph 0015). Therefore, it would have been obvious to a person skilled art at the time the invention was made to have included in Susser the feature of Lancu as discussed above to process data coming into the token faster by using multiple processing machines at the time.

Regarding claim 4, Susser as modified by Lancu further discloses wherein the at least one apparatus is a personal computer (Susser: paragraph 0067).

Regarding claim 13, Susser as modified by Lancu further discloses wherein said retrievable token includes at least two physical channels and at least one of said physical channels is independent from the other(s) (Susser: paragraph 0067 and paragraph 0069).

Regarding claim 14, Susser as modified by Lancu further discloses wherein said retrievable token comprises a first application and a second application, wherein the retrievable token is configured to execute the first application in the first execution environment and the second application in the second execution environment, and wherein said retrievable token comprises a resource that is shared between the first application and the second application (Susser: paragraph 0075).

Regarding claim 20, Susser as modified by Lancu further discloses wherein the retrievable token is configured to execute the first application and the second application simultaneously (Susser: paragraph 0075).

Regarding claim 21, Susser as modified by Lancu further discloses wherein the retrievable token is configured to implement a communication protocol between the first application and the second application, wherein the communication protocol enables

secure sharing of data and/or functions between the first application and the second application (Susser: paragraph 0072).

7. Claims 2-3 and 6-12 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) as being unpatentable over Susser in view of Lancu, and further in view of Nagamasa et al (US 20040177215) (hereinafter Nagamasa).

Regarding claim 2, Susser in view of Lancu does not disclose wherein the retrievable token is a Multi Media Memory card. However, Nagamasa discloses wherein the retrievable token is a Multi Media Memory card (Nagamasa: paragraph 0042). Therefore, it would have been obvious to a person skilled in the art at the time the invention was made to have included in Susser in view of Lancu the feature of Nagamasa as discussed above because in order to realize the full range of benefits offered by the advanced smart card operating environment, inter-application functionality and communication must be facilitated. That is, one application must be able to call another application during a session. Further, applications must be able to securely communicate to another within the smart card operating environment.

Regarding claim 3, Susser as modified by Lancu and Nagamasa further discloses wherein the at least one apparatus is a mobile communication handset (Nagamasa: paragraph 0042).

Regarding claim 6, Susser as modified by Lancu and Nagamasa further discloses wherein said at least one physical channel of communication is configured to use SPI protocol (Nagamasa: paragraph 0061).

Regarding claim 7, Susser as modified by Lancu and Nagamasa further discloses wherein said at least one physical channel of communication is configured to use MMC protocol (Nagamasa: paragraph 0042).

Regarding claim 8, Susser as modified by Lancu and Nagamasa further discloses wherein said at least one physical channel of communication is configured to use a protocol for contactless smart card (Nagamasa: paragraph 0001: flash memory).

Regarding claim 9, Susser as modified by Lancu and Nagamasa further discloses wherein the protocol of communication is defined in the ISO (FCD) 15693 (Nagamasa: paragraph 0046).

Regarding claim 10, Susser as modified by Lancu and Nagamasa further discloses wherein the protocol is defined in the ISO 14443 (Nagamasa: paragraph 0051).

Regarding claim 11, Susser as modified by Lancu and Nagamasa further discloses wherein said at least one physical channel is configured to use at least one protocol defined in the TS 102.221 standard (Nagamasa: paragraph 0109).

Regarding claim 12, Susser as modified by Lancu and Nagamasa further discloses wherein said at least one physical channel is configured to use at least one protocol defined in the ISO 7816 standard (Nagamasa: paragraph 0094).

8. Claim 5 is rejected under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) as being unpatentable over Susser in view of Lancu, and further in view of Fruhauf et al (US 6883715) (hereinafter Fruhauf).

Regarding claim 5, Susser in view of Lancu does not disclose wherein said at least one physical channel of communication is configured to use USB protocol. However, Fruhauf discloses wherein said at least one physical channel of communication is configured to use USB protocol (Fruhauf: column 8, lines 22-33). Therefore, it would have been obvious to a person skilled art at the time the invention was made to have included in Susser in view of Lancu the feature of Fruhauf as discussed above to provide an integrated circuit which can selectively operate in accordance with more than one protocol (Fruhauf: column 4, lines 6-9).

9. Claims 15-19 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) as being unpatentable over Susser in view of Lancu, and further in view of Wilkinson et al. (US 20030023954) (hereinafter Wilkinson).

Regarding claim 15, Susser in view of Lancu does not disclose wherein the retrievable token comprises an access condition list (ACL) and said resource is shared by the first application and the second application on the basis of said access condition list (ACL). However, Wilkinson discloses wherein the retrievable token comprises an access condition list (ACL) and said resource is shared by the first application and the second application on the basis of said access condition list (ACL) (Wilkinson: paragraphs 0125-0129). Therefore, it would have been obvious to a person skilled art at the time the invention was made to have included in Susser in view of Lancu the feature of Wilkinson as discussed above because the access control list furnishes an indication of types of access to be granted to the identity, and based on the access control list, the processor selectively grants specific types of access (Wilkinson: paragraph 0024)

Regarding claim 16, Susser as modified by Lancu and Wilkinson further discloses wherein the resource is a shared file, and wherein said access conditions of the access conditions list (ACL) associates respective applications with respective operations on the shared file thereby authorizing said respective applications to perform said respective operations on the shared file (Wilkinson: paragraphs 0117 and 0132).

Regarding claim 17, Susser as modified by Lancu and Wilkinson further discloses wherein the resource is a shared object on which data is written in a "first in first out" (FIFO) manner and wherein access conditions are defined in the access conditions list (ACL) associating respective applications with respective operations on the shared object thereby authorizing said respective applications to perform said respective operations on the shared object (Wilkinson: paragraphs 0128 and 0129).

Regarding claim 18, Susser as modified by Lancu and Wilkinson further discloses wherein the retrievable token stores and runs an operating system which is common to the first application and the second application and wherein the resource is a shared function that is implemented by the operating system and for which access conditions are defined in the access conditions list (ACL) which specify respective rights of the applications to invoke said shared function (Wilkinson: paragraphs 0117 and 0128-0129).

Regarding claim 19, Susser as modified by Lancu and Wilkinson further discloses wherein the first application is configured to share a function with the second application by allowing the second application to invoke the function and where access conditions list (ACL) are defined in the retrievable token for the second application to access the shared function (Wilkinson: paragraphs 0128-0129).

Conclusion

Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to TRANG DOAN whose telephone number is (571)272-0740. The examiner can normally be reached on Monday-Friday.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, William R. Korzuch can be reached on (571) 272-7589. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 571-273-8300.

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